### Mid-State Amateur Radio Club → The Spark Gap &

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### August 1991

#### RESULTS OF JULY RUSHVILLE TESTING

| Clarence Polly | KB9HBN       | Austin     | Tech    |
|----------------|--------------|------------|---------|
| Roy Richardson | квэнвк       | Osgood     | Tech    |
| Gavin Roberts  | <b>N9LPV</b> | Indy       | General |
| Joe Rogers     | KB9GQD       | Franklin   | Tech    |
| Reuben Schuff  | KB9EGF       | Indy       | Adv     |
| Sheryl Schuff  | KB9EGH       | Indy       | Adv     |
| Stephen Schuff | <b>N9KRU</b> | Indy       | Tech    |
| Debra Vogeler  |              | Versailles | NC Tech |
| Eula Wells     |              | N. Vernon  | NC Tech |
| Dale White     | KB9GMS       | Brownsburg | General |
| Lyndon Wills   | N9HTQ        | Anderson   | Extra   |

### **AUGUST/SEPTEMBER VEC TESTING**

| Aug | 17 | Franklin     | NY9K         | 736-6320 |
|-----|----|--------------|--------------|----------|
| Aug | 31 | Indianapolis | NQ9R         | 291-3569 |
| Sep | 7  | New Castle   | <b>V9JUJ</b> | 288-0481 |
| Sep | 21 | Rushville    | <b>N</b> 6RS | 763-6090 |
| Sep | 28 | Lebanon      | NX9Q         | 482-1866 |

#### WE NEED YOUR HELP

The materials you received today with your newsletter are important to the welfare of the club. Read the proposed constitution and make comments on the enclosed sheet. The material gathered from these comment sheets will have a great influence on the final draft of the new constitution. If you disagree with any of the proposed articles say so now on the comment sheet! The new constitution is something we will have to live with and it should reflect the genuine wishes of the membership! You can mail your comments in or submit them at the August 17th meeting.

The Profile sheet (on reverse side of the comment sheet) is needed to update information about club members. We need to know what equipment and operating modes are available, how many belong to ARRL, what technical experience is available through members. Your our etc. cooperation on this is also appreciated!

#### SHOULD WE CONTINUE WITH NEWSLINE?

Last sunday we included the NEWSLINE (formerly Westlink) on the net. We would like to have member's reaction to whether we should have it every week.



## Members

Larry Walters is one of our newer members to the club. Larry lives in Greenwood and is waiting for his new license to arrive. He is very interested in things relating to the railroad. He worked in the Real Estate and Operations Development Group at Amtrak in Washington, D. C. for two years and is currently completing work on a MBA degree at the University of Indianapolis. Larry also teaches electronics and computers in the undergraduate school. He plans to return to railroad employment after he completes graduate school. He likes to build and play quitars and piano and was active on the campus radio station (FM 88.7) during his early college days.

Our newest member is Dale DuKate, KM9T who has been a ham since 1980. Dale lives in Indianapolis and belongs to the Indy Repeater Assn, Indy Radio Club, the American Red Cross, and the 511 Repeater He is also an active Volunteer Examiner with the Red Cross. Dale is recently retired (5 yrs on the Railroad and 36 yrs in construction). He worked on the Alaskan Pipeline in Prudoe Bay, Alaska and also was an Army radio operator while stationed in Nurenberg, Germany.



Three Club members have changed addresses since the last Newsletter:

Ross Marlin N9DZR 340 W. Methodist Drive Franklin 736-1303 Darrell Sego KM9S Rypma Row New Whiteland 535-5309 Easy Dan Cammack W9tilN 4079 Street 888-9877 Greenwood Married, and living on Easy St. NOT BAD!

### Prom the

Do you know that the older you get the more you need to slow down? Take extra time to do the simplest things. You never know when you might fall down and break a bone!

I'm looking forward to the Equestrian event August 24th. I hope we get a lot of volunteers this time. Elections are in September and I would like to see new officers for 1992. So, give it a shot!

I'm sorry this news package is late but my activities have been restricted due to a cast on my arm. Please return your questionaires as soon as possible.

As county RACES officer, I really appreciate all who volunteered Monday, August 5th during the wx watch. And thank you, Eric for your effort to get the repeater up during the power outage.

Thanks and 73. N9DON president.



FOR SALE: CD PLAYER NV9K 736-6320 We need other items to place in this column! Give it a try!

### TV SETS TO BE CHANGED

All future TV sets will be disigned for the hearing impaired so said the FCC. The Commission has amended part 15 of its rules to implement the provisions of the Television Decoder Circuitry Act of 1990. This act requires that most television receivers manufactured or imported for use in the U. S. be equipped by July 1st 1993 with built-in decoder circuitry designed to display closed-captioned television transmissions.

DATES TO REMEMBER:
AUGUST 17 CLUB MEETING
AUGUST 24 EQUESTRIAN EVENT
SEPTEMBER 7 HAM AWARENESS DAY

# HAM AWARENESS DAY

The 1991 Ameteur Radio Public Amereness Day celebration will be held this year on Awareness Day September the 7th. similar to Field Day with two major exceptions: First it's not a contest nor do you go off to operate on emergency power to some secluded location. Awareness Day Hams take their gear and other displays to libraries. Town Halls, Parks, Fairs, and even the beach front. In other words, you go where the people are and you preach to them the value of having a ham in your town and living next door. Awareness Day is a very important day, since it gives you the chance to tell your community, the nation, and the world just how important Ham Radio can be to them.

Do you have some ideas on how the club can participate in this program?



### AGENDA :

8:00 Constitution Proposal
Report of the Technical Committee
9:30 VEC Testing

### TRY TO ATTEND THE MEETING WE NEED YOUR INPUT!